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 Blackett, et al.
 Serial No. 10/024,896
 Filing Date: December 17, 2001
 "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MASTER SLAVE PROTOCOL
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Serial No. 10/024,896	Filing Date December 17, 2001	Examiner P. Rodriguez	Group Art Unit 2125
Inventor(s) Blackett et al.			
Title of Invention METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MASTER SLAVE PROTOCOL COMMUNICATION IN AN INTELLIGENT ELECTRONIC DEVICE			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTSTransmitted herewith is Amendment and Response After Final.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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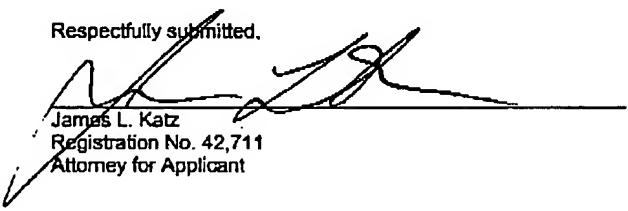
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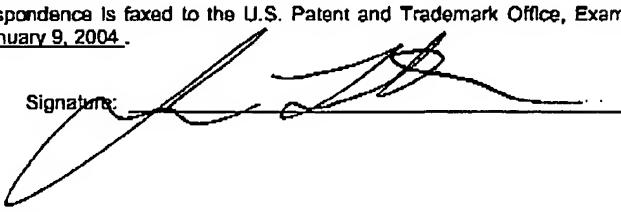
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Respectfully submitted,


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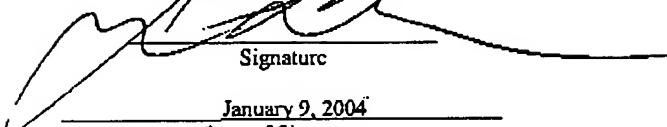
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MASTER SLAVE PROTOCOL COMMUNICATION IN AN INTELLIGENT ELECTRONIC DEVICE)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

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15 In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 10, 2003, please enter the following revisions and consider the following remarks.